



REAL REFORMS RALLY

What Happened to True Election Reform in the Senate?

Senate Bill 5499 – Election Reform

Senate Republican Election Reform Amendments vs. Democratic Majority Votes

1. The people said they thought the King County elections office was a mess. Republicans introduced an amendment to **increase accountability by requiring all county auditors to be elected by the people.**
The Democratic majority said no.
2. The people said elections workers should not be able to change another person's vote/ballot. Republicans introduced an amendment to **prohibit ballot enhancements.**
The Democratic majority said no.
3. The people wanted to require photo identification at poll sites. Republicans introduced an amendment to require **PHOTO ID as the only acceptable form of identification.**
The Democratic majority said no.
4. The people wanted every vote to have a voter. Republicans introduced an amendment outlining steps for **voter reconciliation and processes for dealing with discrepancies.**
The Democratic majority said no.
5. The people said **voters should know the rules when they vote.** Republicans introduced an amendment requiring election information to be taught in high schools.
The Democratic majority said no.
6. The people wanted **every provisional ballot to be treated the same**—no matter what county you live in. Republicans introduced an amendment to put consistent provisional ballots rules into state law.
The Democratic majority said no.
7. The people wanted to make sure **all voters were U.S. citizens—as directed in our state constitution.** Republicans introduced an amendment requiring proof of citizenship when registering to vote.
The Democratic majority said no.
8. The people wanted to vote **“none of the above”** for some offices when they liked neither candidate without having to worry that partisan elections workers would “determine their intent” for them. Republicans introduced an amendment adding a voter abstention check box.
The Democratic majority said no.

9. The people **prevent citizens from voting twice at different addresses**. Republicans introduced an amendment to prevent people from registering multiple addresses at mailbox businesses and to allow challenges to a voter's residency.
The Democratic majority said no.
10. The people wanted to **make sure our voter rolls were accurate**. Republicans introduced an amendment comparing voter rolls with agency databases.
The Democratic majority said no.
11. The people wanted **color-coded provisional ballots to make it harder to count them without verification**. Republicans introduced an amendment adding color.
The Democratic majority agreed.
12. The people wanted to make sure **voter information was secure**. Republicans introduced an amendment adding a security flap to absentee ballots.
The Democratic majority agreed.
13. The people wanted to make sure **the overseas military had an opportunity to vote**.
Republicans introduced an amendment moving the filing date back and providing an exemption for late ballots.
The Democratic majority agreed. —STRIPPED IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
14. The people wanted **accurate and legal voter rolls**. Republicans introduced an amendment requiring random checks and requiring registrars to ask voters if they met our constitution's citizenship and age requirements at the time of the election.
The Democratic majority agreed. — STRIPPED IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES